IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Mehrotra et al. FILED VIA EFS ON August 29, 2008

Application No. 10/647,923

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For: ENTROPY CODING BY ADAPTING

CODING BETWEEN LEVEL AND RUN

LENGTH/LEVEL MODES

Examiner: Martin Lerner

Art Unit: 2626

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Responsive to the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance in the Notice of Allowability mailed July 31, 2008, the Applicants comment as follows.

The Applicants agree that claims 1-11, 15-24, 78, 79, 81, and 83 are allowable and that the prior art, taken either singly or in combination, fails to teach or suggest the language of these claims, respectively. The Applicants respectfully note, however, that the language used by the Examiner in some instances does not identically appear in each of the allowed claims. For each of the allowed claims, to the extent the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance use language not identically appearing in that claim, the Applicants note that the claim is not limited by such language, but rather the actual language of the claim speaks for itself. Furthermore, Applicants do not admit to the correctness of the Examiner's opinion regarding the teaching of the prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

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